COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY POWER)	
COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC)	
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY)	CASE NO.
AUTHORIZING THE COMPANY TO CONVERT)	2013-00430
BIG SANDY UNIT 1 TO A NATURAL GAS-)	
FIRED UNIT AND FOR ALL OTHER REQUIRED)	
APPROVALS AND RELIEF)	

ORDER

The matter is before the Commission upon a motion filed by Kentucky Power Company ("Kentucky Power") requesting that its application be decided based on the evidentiary record. Kentucky Power states that it waives its right to a hearing if its motion is granted. Alternatively, if the Commission determines that a hearing is necessary, Kentucky Power requests that the hearing currently scheduled for June 4, 2014, be rescheduled to an earlier date. Pursuant to a notice filed on April 29, 2014, Kentucky Power informs that it will require a decision on its application by June 30, 2014, in order to permit the natural gas pipeline contractor to commence the work needed for the construction of the project to have Big Sandy Unit 1 refueled and online by mid-May 2016. In its motion, Kentucky Power states that an earlier hearing date would assist it in bringing the converted Big Sandy Unit 1 online at the earliest practicable date.

Having reviewed the pleadings and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that a hearing in this matter is necessary in light of the significance of this case. With respect to Kentucky Power's request to reschedule the current hearing

date, the Commission is unable to find a reasonably earlier date for the hearing that would accommodate a decision's being issued on or before June 30, 2014. The Commission is cognizant of Kentucky Power's need to have a final ruling on this matter made sooner rather than later, given the constraints of the construction scheduling, and we will make every effort to render a decision as close as possible to the requested June 30, 2014 deadline.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Kentucky Power's motion to cancel the June 4, 2014 hearing date and submit this case on the record or alternatively to move up the hearing date is denied.

By the Commission

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